

Date: December 2, 2010

Kansas Department of Health and Environment  
Economic Impact Statement

Pursuant to the requirements of KSA 77-416, Kansas Department of Health and Environment submits the following economic impact statement.

- 1. Regulation(s):**  
(List each regulation number.)

KAR 28-61-2, KAR 28-61-3, KAR 28-61-4

- 2. Brief description of each regulation(s) and what is intended to be accomplished by adoption.**

KAR 28-61-2. Adds language specifying educational requirement of at least a doctorate degree in audiology for licensure as an audiologist; updates statutory reference.

KAR 28-61-3. Adds language requiring an applicant for an audiology degree to provide proof of receipt of at least a doctorate degree in audiology; updates statutory reference.

KAR 28-61-4. Adds language specifying educational requirement of at least a doctorate degree in audiology for temporary licensure as an audiologist; updates statutory reference.

- 3. Is this regulation(s) mandated by federal law as a requirement for participating in or implementing a federally subsidized or assisted program?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

If yes, please explain.

- 4. Do the proposed regulations exceed the requirements of applicable federal law?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

If yes, please explain.

- 5. Description of Costs:**

a. **Cost to the agency:** None.

b. **Cost to persons who will bear the costs and those who will be affected, (i.e., private citizens and consumers of the products or services) and are subject to the proposed rules and regulations or the enforcement:** None. The Regents

institutions in Kansas with audiology programs transitioned to doctorate level degrees in recent years in anticipation of this change in educational requirement as it had already been implemented by national audiology associations.

c. **Costs to other governmental agencies or units:** None.

6. **Description of any less costly or less intrusive methods that were considered by the agency for the purpose of the rules and regulations and why such methods were rejected in favor of the proposed rules and regulations.**

7. **Verification of economic impact statement with League of Kansas Municipalities, Kansas Association of Counties and the Kansas Association of School Boards.**

The above mentioned regulations were determined as appropriate for consultation as to the economic impact with the League of Kansas Municipalities, Kansas Association of Counties and the Kansas Association of School Boards, pursuant to KSA 77-416.

Yes   X  

No       

If yes:

Date Contacted and by what means (i.e., letter, FAX, etc.):

Response and comments received by:

League of Kansas Municipalities:

Contacted by letter 10/13/10 with draft regulations

Contacted by letter 12/2/10 with stamped regulations and notice of hearing

Kansas Association of Counties:

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